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U of M Crookston Earns Three Additional Accolades for Its Online Degree Programs


By Itollefts on Thursday, November 21, 2013The University of Minnesota Crookston recently earned additional recognition for the quality and affordability of its degree programs offered online.



Create a Career, an online career and educational resource, ranked the U of M Crookston at #17 nationally among U.S. colleges in its recent article "The 25 Best Colleges for 2014." The organization based its rankings "on an examination of features such as overall quality, reputation, cost, program availability, faculty credentials, student-to-teacher ratios, available financial aid, student and faculty support and technical support." Brian Rudin, managing editor for Create a Career, added, "We created the list to inform prospective online students they have an array of good schools to choose from; they don't have to limit themselves to well known for-profit schools." The article is available at www.createacareer.org/25-best-online-colleges-2014.

Another organization, AffordableCollegesOnline.org (AC Online), analyzed online degree programs from more than 2,000 fully accredited public and private non-profit colleges and universities across the nation to compile a listing of the most affordable online degree programs by state. AC Online ranked the U of M Crookston among the top ten "Most Affordable Online Colleges in Minnesota." Dan Schuessler, founder and CEO of AC Online, said, "Offering students great online programs is only half the battle. The colleges on our list offer students quality, flexibility, and affordability." The list is available online at www.affordablecollegesonline.org/online-colleges/minnesota.





A third organization, SR Education Group, a Kirkland, Washington-based company that operates OnlineU.org, a website that compares online colleges in the U.S., listed the U of M Crookston's online degree programs in Accounting and Health Management among the most affordable online degrees in their respective categories for 2014. The lists are available online at www.onlineu.org.

The U of M Crookston currently offers twelve degree programs entirely online (these degrees are also offered more traditionally on-campus as well). They include Accounting (B.S.), Applied Health (B.A.H.), Applied Studies (B.S.), Business (B.S.), Communication (B.S.), Finance (B.S.), Health Management (B.S.), Information Technology Management (B.S.), Manufacturing Management (B.M.M.), Marketing (B.S.), Quality Management (B.M.M.), and Sport and Recreation Management (B.S.).

The online programs are administered through the Center for Adult Learning and delivered through three academic units: the Business Department; the Liberal Arts and Education Department; and the Math, Science, and Technology Department.

As of fall 2013, more than 800 degree-seeking students are enrolled in online degree programs offered by the U of M Crookston. Online student Tracy McGlynn says, "My faculty and academic advisors have made my online experience not only personal but professional. The quality of coursework is certainly preparing me in furthering my career in accounting."

For more information about the University of Minnesota Crookston and its online degrees, visit www.umcrookston.edu/online, call 800-862-6466 ext. 8681, or e-mail cronline@umn.edu.

Today the University of Minnesota Crookston delivers 28 bachelor's degree programs, 20 minors, and 39 concentrations on campus--as well as 12 degrees online--in the areas of agriculture and natural resources; business; liberal arts and education; and math, science and technology. With an enrollment of 1,800 undergraduates from 25 countries and 40 states, the Crookston campus offers a supportive, close-knit atmosphere that leads to a prestigious University of Minnesota degree. "Small Campus. Big Degree." To learn more, visit www.umcrookston.edu.

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